

ORDER

FOREST DEVELOPMENT ROADS

WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(a), the following act is prohibited within the Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District described in this order. The purpose is to protect the quality of soils, vegetation, unique scenic and botanical values.


- (1) Using any motorized vehicle, except snowmobiles, off of Forest Development Rd. #4330160 in Section 16, T.23N., R.15E., W.M., as shown in Exhibit A, 36 CFR 261.53 (A), (B), 261.52.
- (2) Using any motorized vehicle, except snowmobiles, off of Forest Rd. #4330161, 4330209, Section 33, T.23N., R.15E., W.M. EXCEPT motorized trail vehicles are permitted on Forest Development Trail #1392 as shown on Exhibit A, 36 CFR 261.53 (A), (B), 261.52.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1) Forest Service administrative traffic.
- 2) Persons with written authorization.
- 3) Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized search and rescue or firefighting force in the performance of official duties.

SEE EXHIBIT A, ATTACHED

Done at Wenatchee, Wa. this 19th day of July, 1988.


LAURA B. FERGUSON
Acting Forest Supervisor
Wenatchee National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500 or imprisonment of not more than 6 months or both. Title 16 USC Section 551.

S.O. Order No. 175

EXHIBIT A
FORTUNE CR. CLOSURE

LEAVENWORTH
RANGER DISTRICT
NATIONAL FOREST

DECISION NOTICE

and

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Closure to Cross Country Motorized Travel
Fortune Creek Area
Cle Elum Ranger District
Kittitas County, Washington

USDA, Forest Service
Wenatchee National Forest

An environmental assessment that discusses alleviating the existing problems in the Fortune Creek Area, as shown on the enclosed map, is available for public review at the Cle Elum Ranger District Office in Cle Elum, Washington. Alternatives have been considered for the approximately two square mile area in the vicinity of Gallagher Head Lake.

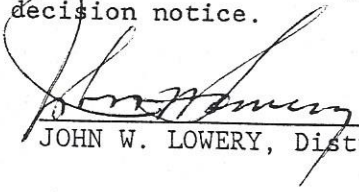
It is my decision to adopt Alternative (B), which offers a long term solution to the existing problems in this area. Under this alternative motorized travel will be restricted to 4x4 Road #4330161, #4330160, and Boulder DeRoux Trail #1392 in Sections 16 and 33, T.23N., R.15E., W. M.. This alternative provides the best combination of biological, physical, economic, and social benefits.

Other alternatives considered were (A) No Action, (C) Total Closure of the Area to Motorized Use.

I have determined through the environmental analysis that this is not a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. This determination was based on the following factors: (a) there are no irreversible or irretrievable resource commitments; (b) there are no apparent adverse cumulative or secondary effects; (c) the physical and biological effects are limited to the area of planned activity; and (d) no known threatened or endangered plants or animals are found within the affected area.

Implementation of this decision may take place immediately. This decision is subject to administrative review pursuant to 36 CFR 211.18. The appeal period will terminate 45 days from the date of this decision notice.

6/22/88
DATE


JOHN W. LOWERY, District Ranger